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RE: MUR 6383 (Portman for Senate Committee)

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Dear Mr. Jordan:

We are in receipt of the Complaint filed in MUR 6383.

Although mentioned, nothing in the Complaint itself indicates that the Portman for Senate Committre, or Mr. Portman, violated the Federal Election Campaign Act, as amended, or the Federal Election Commission's Regulations. Whatever flaws Mr. La Botz and Mr. Brown see in the debates organized by the eight Ohio newspapers which make up the Ohio Newspaper Organization, none of them are caused by, or the responsibility of, Mr. Portman or his campaign. Even in the very remote chance the Commission found ONO and its members violated the Act or Regulations, neither of the candidates who agreed to debate could be found to have committed a violation.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that the Commission take no action and dismiss the Complaint to any extent it might pertain to Portman for Senate or Mr. Portman.

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